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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

KUSAKA et al.

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A TELEPHONE FOR SEARCHING MEMORY CONTENT USING A

SIMPLE USER OPERATION

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

May 19, 2000

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and prior to the examination of this application, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add the following claim:

A telephone comprising:

a storage unit storing names to be called and corresponding telephone

numbers;

an operating unit, including a plurality of numeric keys that are each

assigned different characters, for receiving key operations made by a user;

a searching means for searching the storage unit for names that

include a character assigned to a pressed numeric key, the search being performed